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This is a request for a ☐ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d).

(Continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09 1253,174,
filed on 2/19/1999, entitled A Postable Sticker

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(b); or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

CFR NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.14 to access (b) copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a).

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d)(4).
 - a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
 - a. ☐ PTO-1449
 - b. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

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INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.18(b) or (i))		3 -3** =		x \$ _____ =	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.18(d))				+ \$ _____ =	0
				BASIC FEE (37 C.F.R. § 1.18)	\$ 355.00
				Total of above Calculations =	\$ 355.00
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				TOTAL =	\$ 355.00

6. Small entity status:

- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed, if (b) and (c) do not apply.
b. ☒ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
c. ☐ Is no longer claimed.

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8. ☐ A check in the amount of \$ 355.00 is enclosed.

9. ☐ Other: Return Post Card and
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Applicant: Amad Tayebi
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This is a Response to A Final Office Action (Dated November 15, 2000), a Continued Prosecution Application of Serial No. 09/253,174) and a Preliminary Amendment of Same

1. Claims 13, 14 and 15 are pending in this application.
2. On July 22, 2000, applicant filed a response to Office Action dated April 26, 2000 which received a Final Rejection in an Office Action dated November 15, 2000. Subsequently, applicant called Examiner and requested and was granted an interview with Examiner which was held on January 23, 2001 at the Examiner's office. Applicant hereby expresses his appreciation of Examiner's courtesy in granting the interview.
3. At the interview, applicant discussed Examiner's rejections of claims 13 - 15, as stated in paragraphs 1 - 6 in Office Action dated November 15, 2000, paper No. 10. With regard to rejections under 35

U.S.C. 112, first paragraph and 35 U.S.C. 132, applicant agreed to remove paragraphs 2 (d), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j) and (n) and remove the word "identical" in paragraph 2 (a) in the Amendment of July 22, 2000. With regard to rejection under 35 USC 102 (b) as being anticipated by Haugwitz 4,961,811, applicant agreed to Examiner's request to cancel the new matter phrases of Amendment of July 22, 2000 and amend all claims to state that the adhesive is coated "completely and continuously" in the first area. With regard to rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102 (b) as being anticipated by Madole 5,299,833, applicant also agreed to Examiner's request to cancel the new matter phrases in the Amendment of July 22, 2000 and Examiner agreed to applicant's proposal to amend the claims to state that the first area "extends to the top edge of the sheet". With regard to Examiner's objection to new substitute drawings, applicant agreed to delete numeral "26" from the drawings and submit a new set of substitute drawings. Accordingly, applicant hereby amends application as presented below in paragraphs 4 to 6 and in the attached set of substitute drawings. Examiner also indicated that, since the case is under a Final Rejection, he will not enter the above agreed-to-amendments, which would overcome the rejection grounds in the Office Action of November 15, 2000, unless prosecution of the case is reopened. This can be done if applicant files a Continued Prosecution Application or if a Continuation application is filed. Applicant agreed to file a CPA as presented below in paragraph 8 and the accompanying completed CPA Request Transmittal form.

4. Please amend the Specification as follows:

- a) In the Drawings, attached are substitute drawing sheets (3 sheets) submitted in accordance with MPEP 608.02 (p) Correction of Drawings and 37 CFR 1.121 Manner of making amendments to identify, in red, perimeter of sticker as element 22, parallel side edges of perimeter as elements 23, top edge of perimeter as element 24, and bottom edge of perimeter as element 25.
- b) In page ~~1~~, line ~~21~~, after "art" insert, --shown in Figures (1) and (2)--
- c) In page ~~3~~, line ~~4~~, after "such" insert --a--
- d) In page ~~3~~, line ~~5~~, after "edge," insert --as shown, for example in Figures (1) to (4-B),--
- e) In page ~~4~~, line ~~3~~, after "line" insert --10, extending from one of the parallel side edges 23 to the other parallel side edge 23, for example as shown in Figure (3-A),--